

PIKES PEAK STATE PARK



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(960 acres)

Stand atop the 500-foot bluff for a breathtaking view of the Wisconsin and Mississippi rivers. Though beautiful any time of year, fall adorns the trees with spectacular reds and golds. The beautiful park also has historical significance. Native Americans sculpted earthen "effigy" mounds on ridge tops in the shape of animals to celebrate oneness with Mother Earth. In 1805, the government sent Lt. Zebulon Pike to explore the Mississippi River valley and select locations for a military fort. Pike chose the park site which now bears his name. The government agreed on the vicinity but built the fort across the river.



Trails: Hiking, mountain biking; universally accessible trail



Boating: Boat ramp to the Mississippi River in McGregor



Picnicking/Shelters: Picnic area near Main Overlook; open shelter for reservation; playground nearby



Camping: 57 electric, 18 non-electric; modern rest rooms and showers; dump station



Concessions: Snacks, firewood, ice, souvenirs
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Nearby attractions:

Yellow River State Forest

- Camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, equestrian sites

Harper's Ferry:

- *Effigy Mounds National Monument*: Visitor center, guided hikes, programs on Native American effigy mounds, hiking

McGregor:

- *Spook Cave*: boat tour through cave
- *Fall Arts and Crafts Festival* (Oct.)

Marquette:

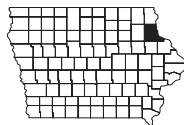
- *Isle of Capri Riverboat Casino*
- *Eagles Landing Vineyard and Winery*

Prairie Du Chien:

- *Villa Louis Historical Site*
- *Ft. Crawford Medical Museum*
- *Prairie Villa Rendezvous*: fur-trading era re-enactment (June)
- *Prairie Dog Blues Fest* (July)
- *Villa Louis Carriage Classic* (Sept.)

RESERVATIONS

To reserve a campsite or shelter,
visit www.reserveiaparks.com
call 1-877-IAPARKS (427-2757)



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